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Overnight Ramp Closure for Stage Change at I-55/LSD Interchange Project

CHICAGO – The Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) announced that an overnight ramp closure will take place on the outbound Stevenson Expressway (southbound Interstate 55), in Chicago, weather permitting, Wednesday, July 12. The closure is necessary for a stage change, part of the ongoing Interstate 55/Lake Shore Drive (U.S. 41) Interchange Reconstruction project.

Starting at 12:01 a.m. Wednesday, the ramp that carries traffic from southbound Lake Shore Drive to the outbound Stevenson Expressway will be closed until 5 a.m. A posted detour will direct southbound Lake Shore Drive traffic to exit at 31st Street, re-enter northbound Lake Shore Drive and take the ramp to the outbound Stevenson.

In the new traffic pattern, motorists will use the newly-constructed ramps to travel from Lake Shore Drive to the southbound Stevenson Expressway. Motorists traveling on northbound Lake Shore Drive to the outbound Stevenson ramp will not be able to access the State Street exit.

Motorists can expect delays and should allow extra time for trips through this area. Drivers are urged to pay close attention to flaggers and signs in the work zones, obey the posted speed limits and be on the alert for workers and equipment.

Click here to find details on other construction projects in IDOT's District 1. Updates on the impacts to traffic are available at www.travelmidwest.com

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